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SUJ: BUTTER BEAN CROP INFORMATION

REF: STATE 256018

1. BURMA'S BUTTER BEAN ACREAGE FOR PRESENT YEAR ESTIMATED AT 180,000 ACRES OUT OF TOTAL 7,750,000 ACRES FOR ALL PULSES. THIS

IS UP SLIGHTLY FROM PREVIOUS YEAR, BUT FLOOD DAMAGE MAY REDUCE OUTPUT TO ABOUT 29,000 LONG TONS, DOWN 15 PERCENT FROM PREVIOUS CROP YEAR. BUTTER BEAN YIELD PER ACRE THIS YEAR ESTIMATED AT 360 LBS VS NORMAL YIELD OF 420 LBS.

2. AS FOR EXPORT AVAILABILITY, TOTAL BURMESE CONSUMPTION THIS YEAR

ESTIMATED AT 9,000 TONS LEAVING 20,000 TONS FOR EXPORT. TRADE OFFICIALS BELIEVE JAPAN WILL PROBABLY TAKE ABOUT 18,000 TONS OF BURMA'S SURPLUS BUTTER BEANS IN THE CURRENT YEAR, AND PORT OF RANGOON PRESENTLY BUSY LOADING BUTTER BEANS ON BOARD SHIPS FOR JAPAN.

3. LAST OFFICIAL EXPORT FIGURES FOR BUTTER BEANS ARE FOR 1971. BURMESE EXPORTS IN THAT YEAR ARE AS FOLLOWS:

JAPAN 20,383 TONS  
TYUKYU ISLANDS 105 TONS  
MALAYSIA 105 TONS  
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OTHERS 127 TONS

TOTAL 20,383 TONS  
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